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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of) Before the Examiner
Charles H. Schleyer) Cephia D. Toomer
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U. S. Serial No. 09/784,885.)
>) Confirmation Number: 5210
Filed: February 16, 2001) Group Art Unit: 1714
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GASOLINE FUEL) Family Number: P1998J135A

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

COMMUNICATION

Applicant received a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121) regarding the Amendment After Final submitted on June 14, 2004.

Prior to that notice, Applicant received an Advisory Action from the Examiner indicating that the Amendment After Final would not be considered or entered because it raised new issues which would require further consideration and/or search.

CERTIFICATION OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

The undersigned hereby certifies that this correspondence will be facsimile transmitted to the Commissioner for Patents facsimile number 1-703-872-9311 on the date shown below.

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Consequently, Applicant filed a Request for Continued Examination in this case further requesting that the Previously Submitted Amendment After Final be considered.

Insofar as it is that Amendment which is now identified as being Non-Compliant, a new copy of the Amendment After Final, identified as Resubmission of Amendment After Final is hereby submitted correcting the non-compliant claim status identification language. It is requested that the Examiner consider this copy of the amendment during the examination of the RCE.

Because the fees required for the Amendment After Final were already paid, at the time that amendment was submitted, it is believed no new or additional fees are required for the present submission. If any fees are required, the Commissioner is directed to the attached Amendment Transmittal Form which authorizes that any additional fees be charged to Deposit Account Number 05-1330.

Respectfully submitted,



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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.34(a)

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